



## STATE of MINNESOTA

# Proclamation

- WHEREAS: Natural disasters in the State of Minnesota have significant physical, emotional, and financial impacts on many of our citizens each year; and
- WHEREAS: Tornadoes, hail, straight-line winds, lightning, floods, and heat waves create imminent threats to life and property in Minnesota; and
- WHEREAS: Minnesotans have suffered damages from natural disasters in excess of \$366 million from 2000 through 2011; and
- WHEREAS: These disastrous weather events took the lives of 19 people; and
- WHEREAS: The quality of life for Minnesota citizens can be seriously impacted by severe weather. It is essential that we increase awareness of weather dangers and the actions that must be taken in order to prepare for and survive them.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim April 16-20, 2012 as:

## SEVERE WEATHER AWARENESS WEEK

in the State of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Mark Dayton", written over a horizontal line.

GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature in blue ink, written over a horizontal line.

SECRETARY OF STATE